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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Chong Jin OON, et al.

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For: A VACCINE INDUCED HEPATITIS B VIRAL STRAIN AND USES THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims:

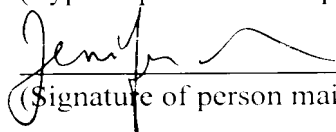
1. (Amended) An isolated strain of Hepatitis B virus designated Human Hepatitis B Virus Surface Antigen-'S'-145 Singapore Strain (Glycine to Arginine) and deposited under Accession Nos. P97121504, P97121505 and P97121506 with the European Collection of Cell Culture on 15th December 1997.
14. (Amended) The vector of claim 12, wherein the vector comprises viral DNA.

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